

NATIONS LOOK ON DISARMING WITH FAVOR

Favorable Responses Received from All but One of Powers to Which United States Submitted Message.

MAY CONFER NOV. 11

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, July 12.—Favorable responses are understood to have been received today from all but one of the powers to which the United States suggested a conference on reduction of armaments and related questions. Although so far there has been nothing in the negotiations as to details, administration officials, have been so encouraged by the attitude of other nations, that they have already given some attention to some questions, as the date on which the meeting shall begin. One suggested prominently under consideration is that Nov. 11, Armistice day selected.

The exact object to be taken up at the conference are understood not to have received detailed consideration, but officials were said to feel that there was no reason why the conversations might not logically lead to a plan for the association of nations advocated by President Harding.

BERLIN, July 12.—The Volks Zeitung describes President Harding's invitation to a disarmament conference as "a political event of foremost importance," and says:

"If the American President succeeds in carrying his undertaking to a successful conclusion, then the nations of the world will have realized the longed-for centuries, and President Harding will have set up for himself a monument more durable than the fame of all the generals of history."

The Tageblatt, believes that the status of the United States places her in a favorable position to carry out the conference. It points out that President Harding has seized the opportunity to take the initiative, which had almost been lost, through Great Britain's suggestion that the Anglo-Japanese pact be made the subject of discussion among the three powers.

"If the complicated experiment proposed by President Harding succeeds, it will in all probability, resolve itself into a gigantic clearing house enterprise," is the Tageblatt's prediction.

The proposed conference, the Tageblatt believes, is wholly inspired by "American and British naval rivalry, the prevailing tension of the American-Japanese situation and the difficult and complicated issues wrapped up in the problem of the Pacific."

The Pan-German organ, the Tages Zeitung, doubts whether a practical solution of the problem will be as simple as it appears in theory. It thinks a "self-conscious nation like the United States with its vast frontage on the Atlantic and the Pacific, will insist on maintaining a formidable navy," and questions whether "the combustible stored up in the American-Japanese relations will prove conducive to the creation of an atmosphere for international discussion of the disarmament issues."

Valuable Index

At any rate, says the Tages Zeitung in conclusion, the spirit in which President Harding's invitation will be received will be a valuable index to the attitude of the different nations toward the president's project.

The Vossische Zeitung declares that in designating Washington as the place for the conference, President Harding proposes to avoid the error made by "his isolated predecessor at Versailles," as both the president and the American delegates then would be in a position to keep in close touch with congressional and public opinion.

LONDON, July 12.—The world is on the eve of one of the most epochal events in history. This is the verdict of the newspapers and statesmen here following President Harding's offer, and the British government's acceptance, in connection with the holding of a conference for the discussion of the limitation of armaments and related problems. The scene in the house of commons yesterday afternoon when Premier Lloyd George announced

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LOOK OUT FOR RAINS SAYS WEATHER MAN

"Rain, rain, go away; Come again some other day."

"It's been a long time since Richmond residents have had to use these words, but according to Weatherman W. E. Moore, the time probably will soon be here when they again will be called to mind."

Quoting the weatherman: "Richmond is on deck for rain. Her dry spell is broken. There will be beneficial rains in the form of thunder-showers Tuesday afternoon or night, and probably again Wednesday."

This good news brings back the fact that June 13 was the last time that Richmond had a good wetting. Before that the last big rain was in April. The month of May was not up to normal, according to the weatherman, and the month of June, which is usually one of the wet months, fell far short of its expected rainfall.

Damage Reports Boost Wheat Market Tuesday

(By Associated Press)

CHICAGO, July 12.—Anxiety in regard to increasing reports of black rust and of hot weather damage in the spring crop region, made the wheat market jump today. Prices rose nearly seven cents a bushel in some cases, September delivery touching \$1.24½c. as against \$1.18 at yesterday's finish.

Play Lead Roles in Irish Negotiations



Left to right, above: Gen. Jan Christiaan Smuts and Premier Lloyd George. Below: Eamonn de Valera and Sir James Craig.

Here are the men most prominently mentioned in connection with Irish peace negotiations. General Smuts is the premier of the Union of South Africa and was instrumental in securing a truce between England and the Sinn Fein. In the pending conferences Premier Lloyd George, Eamonn de Valera and Sir James Craig will be the spokesmen respectively for England, Sinn Fein Ireland and Ulster.

Ripe Old Age is Attained by Persons Living in Lynn

City of Long Life, is Title Earned by Healthy Community—Third of All Deaths Due to Old Age—Many Citizens Live 70 Years and Over—Several More than 85

(Special to The Palladium)
LYNN, Ind., July 12.—"The city of long life," is a title that may be appropriated by residents of Lynn, as a result of an inquiry conducted Monday.

A death record showing that fully a third of all deaths are due to old age, with records of many citizens living to ages of more than 70 years, the greater proportion between the ages of 75 and 85, with several even beyond the age of 85, indicates that Lynn is an unusually healthy town.

It is worthy of note in this connection that every one of the citizens named as the oldest residents still are physically strong and are active in civic or church affairs.

Several of the older residents are business men of the town, and instead of having retired, still occupy themselves with the personal management of their business.

S. C. Bowen, of the Bowen dry goods store, Martin Eckerley, who has a restaurant, and W. R. Halliday, owner of the Democratic party.

FORBES-WOOD MISSION LISTENS TO CRITICISM OF SPEAKER OF HOUSE

(By Associated Press)
CEBU, P. I., July 12.—The Wood-Forbes mission to the Philippines, at a public meeting today in the Plaza, listened to denunciations of the Nationalista party and Sergio Comens, speaker of the Philippine house of representatives, by his fellow citizens of the Democratic party.

Cebu is the second city in the Philippines, and the mission was welcomed warmly by a large crowd.

The president and vice president of the Cebu Democratic organization asserted that elections were corrupt and that no Democrat had a chance of election. The prosecuting attorney, who is a Nationalista, refuses they said, to lay before the court evidence offered by Democrats showing that corruption existed.

Another Democrat speaker asserted that two Nationalista officials, who were under suspicion as soon as the Wood-Forbes mission arrived, but were assured that they would be reinstated as soon as the mission had left.

Although severely criticizing Nationalists all Democrat speakers urged immediate independence in any form for the Philippines.

The speakers expressed the greatest admiration of Americans and appreciation of the lesson taught Philippines by the "benevolence of the government of the United States."

Weather Forecast

MOORE'S LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy; local thunderstorms. Warm and sultry weather will prevail for another 24 or possibly 48 hours, with very brief intervals of relief from heat, due to local thunderstorms.

For Indiana, by the United States Weather Bureau—Generally fair and continued warm tonight and Wednesday.

Temperatures Yesterday
Maximum 90
Minimum 62

Today

Noon 83

Weather Conditions—The great hot wave remains unbroken over states east of the Rocky mountains, excepting for local cooling due to thunderstorms. Temperatures are from 90 to 100 from Canada southward.

Deplores War Expenditure
Timothy Nicholson said:

"All Friends have stood for disarmament. It is foolish and shameful to think that 90 per cent of the nation

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BELFAST RIOT ONLY BLOT ON IRISH PEACE

Sir James Craig Hurries Back—Parley Thursday Not To Be 'Cut and Dried'—Start on Broad Principles.

LEADERS LEAVE TODAY

(By Associated Press)
DUBLIN, July 12.—Irish republican leaders chosen to participate in the conference to be held with the British government authorities in London on Thursday left Dublin this morning for London. They were:

Eamonn de Valera, leader of the Irish Republicans; Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein; Austin Stack and Robert C. Barton, the last two being Sinn Fein members of the British parliament.

The delegates were accompanied by Laurence O'Neill, Lord Mayor of Dublin, who recently visited America and by Count Plunkett.

LONDON, July 12.—Satisfaction felt by the people of England over the arrangement of a meeting on Thursday between Eamonn de Valera, Irish republican leader and Prime Minister Lloyd George, was tempered by apprehension today over the situation in Belfast. The rioting which began in that city on Sunday continued yesterday with diminished severity, and while there were acts of violence yesterday forenoon in various parts of Ireland, the center of apprehension was in Belfast.

It was felt that today might be critical, as it was "Orangemen's day" long celebrated as the anniversary of the battle of the Boyne, fought in July, 1690. There were fears that extremists on both sides in Ireland could not be held in restraint by their leaders, and would violate the truce which became effective yesterday noon.

Not 'Cut and Dried'

The parliamentary correspondent of the London Times says the arrangements for the meeting of Premier Lloyd George and Eamonn de Valera, are not to be "cut and dried," adding that General Jan Christiaan Smuts, the South African premier, is not to be present at the opening of the interview, but that it is understood if Mr. de Valera desires the overtures dominions represented, formally or informally, "his wish will meet with cordial acquiescence."

The correspondent states Premier Lloyd George is prepared to see the representatives of the Sinn Fein by himself or have with him such other member of the government as may appear desirable in view of the development of the discussion.

To Discuss Principles

It is predicted that the early discussions will be based on broad principles, the last of the Sinn Fein devoted to the setting up of committees to deal with particular subjects. The Times says that while Sir James Craig, the Ulster premier, who returned to Belfast tonight owing to the outbreak of disorders in his absence, the Marquis of Londonderry, minister of education in the Belfast parliament will remain in London. Sir James, it is declared, is prepared to return at any moment.

The plan of Thursday's interview, according to the correspondent, will be in the words of the premier, "to explore to the utmost the possibility of a settlement," the aim being first to discover whether the general lines of settlement can be marked out."

Expect Harding to Take Lead in Placing Tax Revision First

Proposed Change in Legislative Program Includes Abandonment of Summer Session Recess Advocated for Governmental Economy—Uncle Sam Lives Within Income

PALLADIUM NEWS BUREAU

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Senators James E. Watson and Harry S. New, of Indiana, who are credited with being closer to President Harding than any other members of the senate, are expecting the president to publicly endorse this week the legislative program

HOT WEATHER THOUGHT

"How hot is a kitchen when the mercury registers 93 in the shade?" queried a baker who was asked if the hot weather increased the consumption of goods.

"Mother don't mind baking when the weather is cool, but as soon as the sun begins to send the mercury up the tube in hectic jumps, she begins to take a vacation, and father is told to bring home pies, rolls and cakes from the bakery," said this baker.

"The day is gone when mother invites a heat prostration by keeping the kitchen range going full tilt to prepare heavy meals in summer time."

"The bakers note a big increase in their business during the summer months. It is interesting to note that husbands and sons do a considerable portion of the shopping in hot weather. Mother places her order over the telephone and the male members of the family evidently get orders to deliver the goods, for they come in large numbers."

"Do they object to carrying home the foodstuffs?"

"I have still to hear the first complaint. Many of them not only buy what mother asked them to get, but also buy other good things that strikes their fancy."

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Where Chinch Bugs Ruined 40 Acres



The chinch bugs came from a rye field which is shown at the farther edge of the cornfield, and traveled toward the corn in the foreground. Only a few scattered hills, seen in the background, escaped in the territory which the bugs had covered, and about half the corn, which the bugs have just reached, has been killed. This field had almost a 100 per cent stand.



Corn plant on Russell White farm north of Richmond, showing chinch bug infestation. The thick black mass on the lower part of the stalk are chinch bugs. The lower leaves have withered already, while the lower of the uppermost leaves is beginning to roll and will wither soon.

DEMAND FAIR TERMS FOR PACT RENEWAL OF ENGLAND-JAPAN

(By Associated Press)

TOKIO, July 12.—The Anglo-Japanese alliance has been revised twice since its conclusion in 1902, but the fundamental spirit underlying the pact has never changed, says a statement by the Kōmeito political party, as published in the Yomiuri.

"In the downfall of both Prussia and Germany," the statement continues, "the Anglo-Japanese alliance has lost its pre-eminence objective and in consequence the circumstances are now quite different from those under which it was first concluded."

"Japan would regret the abandonment of an alliance which has been in existence with great success during the past 20 years, but realizes at the same time, her real diplomatic position."

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BONUS PERIL TO STABILITY SAYS HARDING

President Warns Against Passing Adjusted Compensation Bill Until Country's Financial Problems Settled.

POINTS OUT DANGERS

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, July 12.—Enactment at the present moment of adjusted compensation legislation for veterans of the World war would "greatly imperil the financial stability of our country," President Harding told the senate today in the second address he has made to that body during his administration.

Every obligation is to the disabled and dependent, the president said, and the executive branch owes it to the country "frankly to state the difficulty we daily are called upon to meet and the added peril this measure would bring."

"This menacing effort to expend billions in gratuity will imperil our capacity to discharge our first obligations to those we must not fail to aid," he said.

Little Heeded Cost

"Our land has its share of the financial care and industrial depression of the world," the president said. "We little heeded the growth of indebtedness or the limits of expenditures during the war because we could not stop to count the cost. Our one thought then was the winning of the war and the survival of the nation."

After a four months' survey of conditions, which would stagger all of us were it not for our abiding faith in America, the president said he was fully persuaded that three things were essential to restoration.

Must Settle Problems

"These are," he continued, "the revisions in our internal taxation, including reduction, the refunding of our war debt, and the adjustment of our foreign loans."

"It is vitally necessary to settle these problems before adding to our treasury any such burden as is contemplated in the pending (soldier bonus) bill."

Mr. Harding said it was "unthinkable" to expect business revival while maintaining "the excessive taxes of war" and "quite as unthinkable" to reduce tax burdens while committing the treasury to additional obligations ranging from three to five billion dollars.

"The precise figures no one can give," he said, "if it is conceivably true that only \$200,000,000 a year will be drawn annually from the treasury in the few years immediately before us, the bestowal is too inconsequential to be of real value to the nation's dependents, and if the exercise of the option should call for cash ranging into billions, the depression in finance and in industry would be so marked that vastly more harm than good would result."

Points to Obligations

"No government fiat will pay our bills," the President said. "The exchanges of the world testify today to that eternal truth."

Mr. Harding pointed out that the government now was obliged to pay 5½ per cent interest on short time loans and that definite obligations of \$7,500,000 are to mature within two years.

"Overburdening of the treasury now means positive disaster in years immediately before us," he said.

Merest Prudence calls out in warning

The world "slump" was inevitable as an aftermath of the war, the president said, adding that "the only sure way to normalcy is over the paths nature has marked throughout all human experience."

The executive branch, he said, "was driving toward that decreased expenditure, which is the most practical assurance of diminishing taxation."

Pledges Economy

"I can make you no definite promise in figures today," he said, "but I can pledge you a most conscientious drive to reduce government cost by many millions. It would be most discouraging to those who are bending their energy to save millions to have congress add billions to our burdens at the very beginning."

"Even were there not threatened paralysis of our treasury, with its fatal reflexes on all our activities which concern our prosperity, would it not be better to await the settlement of our foreign loans?"

MINGO COUNTY JAIL IS CROWDED TO CAPACITY

(By Associated Press)

WILLIAMSTON, W. Va., July 12.—Twenty-six men, arrested yesterday by the militia and state police at Lynn and Blackberry City, near here, were today under military guard in the courthouse.

So crowded was the Mingo county jail that no place for them could be found, and for a time they were held in the courthouse grounds. Heavy rain compelled the authorities to provide other quarters and as the rain continued today the men were kept in the grand jury room.

While no official statement was made by the military authorities it was said that no date had been set for a hearing on the charge that the prisoners had been connected with the burning of a coal company store at Lynn, May 21. The arrests were made by a company of the newly organized county militia, and state police acting under Governor E. F. Morgan's proclamation of martial law.

AUTO MISHAPS FATAL TO TWO; THREE ARE HURT MONDAY NIGHT

Two people were killed and three injured in a series of automobile accidents which occurred in Richmond and vicinity Monday evening.

THE DEAD

Mrs. Mary Winslow, 85 years old, 29½ South Eleventh street, skull fractured.

William Niebuhr, 29 years old, 607 South Twelfth street, skull fractured and neck broken.

THE INJURED.

Clarence Niebuhr, 18 years old, 607 South Twelfth street, cut about face and body bruised.

Walter Pleasant, colored, 30 years old, 528 South Twelfth street, slightly injured.

Hernley Tout, 11 years old, 210 Lincoln street, cut about face.

Mrs. Mary Winslow was run down by an automobile driven by Frank Tillson, 401 South Fourteenth street, at 7:30 p. m. She was starting to cross A street at South Eleventh.

Mrs. Winslow was carrying an umbrella in the heavy rain that was falling at that time. This is thought to have prevented her seeing the approaching machine, the driver of which was blinded by the rain. She was dead before a physician reached her.

Accident Unavoidable

Coroner S. Edgar Bond, who investigated the accident is of the opinion that it was unavoidable. Witnesses state that Mrs. Winslow stepped off the sidewalk directly in the path of the machine. It was stated that the machine was not traveling at a fast rate of speed. The body was removed to the undertaking parlors of Pohlmeier, Stegall and Downing. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

The deceased is a sister of Henry Dickinson, of the Jefferson apartments. She has one son, Herbert, who is a resident of Chicago.

Niebuhr Killed

William Niebuhr, 607 South Twelfth street, was fatally injured when the automobile in which he was riding skidded in loose gravel about two miles south of Fairhaven, Ohio, at 4:30 o'clock Monday afternoon. Clarence Niebuhr, a brother, was injured slightly.

Walter Pleasant, colored, 528 South Twelfth street, was driving the touring car when the car struck the gravel, tearing off the left front wheel. The car was thrown back into the road and turned over several times, coming to rest in a position across the road.

The passengers were thrown out. William Niebuhr's skull and chest were crushed, according to Dr. Holly, of College Corner, who was called by witnesses of the accident.

Car Demolished

Dr. Holly states that the car had the front wheel torn off, all fenders crushed, top smashed down and windshield demolished. Niebuhr died soon after Dr. Holly reached the scene.

The Niebuhrs had just admonished the driver, Pleasant, to drive more slowly, when the accident occurred. William Niebuhr was riding in the front seat, and his brother Clarence, was lying in the rear seat. Clarence was thrown into the front seat when the wheel was torn off, and both were thrown out later as the car was rolling over in the road. The body of William Niebuhr was brought to the funeral parlors of Klute & Smith. The two other occupants of the car were not seriously injured.

Walter C. Niebuhr, a brother, member of 112 Infantry 28th Division, was killed in action at Chateau Thierry on July 21, 1918.

Tout Injured

Hernley Tout had his face badly lacerated when Harry Mann, 206 Lincoln street, ran his machine into a bridge about four miles south of Richmond on the Abington pike, to avoid colliding with another machine which was approaching at a fast rate of speed. None of the other occupants of the car was injured. The machine was badly damaged.

MANY LOSE LIVES IN FRENCH BLAZE

(By Associated Press)

DAX, FRANCE, July 12.—Many persons were buried by falling walls during a fire today which destroyed a mercantile establishment here owned by Senator Millies-Lacroix. Eleven bodies had been taken from the debris up to a late hour this afternoon.

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